

## **SUMMARY:**

### **World cultural and natural heritage and its legal regulation**

Diploma thesis deals with legal regulation of world cultural and natural heritage that is incorporated in Convention Concerning the protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage adopted on 16 November 1972. The thesis consists of six chapters. Fundamental chapter is titled International legal sources of cultural and natural heritage protection and is divided into three parts: the first is about World Heritage

Convention and the rest two parts deal with other conservation conventions focused on cultural or natural heritage. The third chapter is devoted to the question of international states responsibility for destruction of its own cultural heritage on the example of Bamiyan Buddha's, whose demolition was ordered by Taliban regime in 2001. The fourth chapter introduces main international organizations and institutions that support protection of world heritage. Relations between conservation of cultural and natural heritage and European Union are subject of fifth chapter. The last chapter deals with Czech legislation those implements obligations of international conservation conventions.

Purpose of this diploma thesis is to find the answer to the question whether there is such effective legal regulation to protect and conserve cultural and natural sites of outstanding universal value against destruction and ruin at international, European and also national level.

It will be concluded that there is many conventions with different scopes of protection next to World Heritage Convention. The main trouble for effective conservation seems to be financing and effective enforcement mechanism.

Main sources of information were internet pages of UNESCO, international magazines articles and especially The 1972 World Heritage Convention: A Commentary by Francesco Francioni from 2008. My work was significantly influenced by my study visit in University of Groningen in Netherlands during 2010/2011. I tried to adapt my translation from English source to Czech official translation of international conventions.